SOcial Work Major

The Bachelor of Arts in Social Work major at Fordham University will prepare you to make a meaningful difference in people’s lives as a generalist social work practitioner. Mirroring the strength of our nationally ranked M.S.W. program, our B.A.S.W. degree features a variety of learning experiences: dynamic classes; hands-on fieldwork education; and guidance and support from a faculty adviser. Our diverse community of compassionate students and faculty round out the stimulating educational environment of the Graduate School of Social Service. With our B.A.S.W. degree, you’ll graduate with the skills and knowledge you’ll need to promote human rights, social justice, and individual and community well-being.

Offered at our campuses in Manhattan and Westchester, The Bachelor’s of Arts in Social Work (BASW) degree is equivalent to the Bachelor’s in Social Work (BSW) and is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

Gregory Acevedo, Director of the BASW program at 212-636-7166 or gacevedo@fordham.edu.

Requirements

Students are expected to complete the 33 credits of the major within a two-year period, either on a full- or part-time basis. The major consists of eight required courses of three credits each, and a 600-hour, yearlong field practicum and integrative seminar of nine credits beginning in September.

Following admission, students complete the social work program in two years. Depending on their full-time or part-time status, students may take courses in addition to social work courses.

Courses Required

Curriculum for students beginning as of Fall 2018 (New curriculum)

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Availability

The major in social work is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill, Fordham College at Lincoln Center, and Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies at Rose Hill, Lincoln Center, and Westchester.

FCRH and PCS students should keep in mind that all courses for the major in social work are offered at the Lincoln Center and Westchester campuses in the Graduate School of Social Services.

Fordham College at Rose Hill students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Professional and Continuing Studies students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the PCS Core Curriculum.

Sample Curriculum

The coursework is spread across four semesters. You can start your B.A.S.W. program starting in the Fall or Spring semester.

The first year consists of four classroom courses and faculty advising, and the second year consists of four classroom courses, the Field Practicum and Integrative Seminar, and faculty and field advising.

Regardless of when you enter the program, you must complete the first year’s four classroom courses before entering the Fieldwork Practicum.

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Spring (A) or Summer (B)
SOWK 6305  Social Work Skills Lab  3
SOWK 6320  Social Work Practice With Organizations and Communities  3

Credits  12

Second Year

Fall
SOWK 6323  Social Work Practice With Individuals Across the Lifespan  3
SOWK 6324  Social Work Practice With Families and Groups Across the Lifespan  3
SOWK 6901  Fieldwork and Integrative Seminar 1  4

Credits  10

Spring
SOWK 6440  Advanced Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis  3
SOWK 6803  Applied Social Work Research and Evaluation  3
SOWK 6901  Fieldwork and Integrative Seminar 1  5

Credits  11

Total Credits  33

Curriculum for students beginning prior to Fall 2018
(Legacy curriculum)

First Year

Fall (A) or Spring (B)
SOWK 6208  Human Behavior: Social Environment I  3
SOWK 6050  Human Rights and Social Justice  3

Spring (A) or Summer (B)
SOWK 6209  Human Behavior: Social Environment II  3
SOWK 6006  Social Policy I: Policy and Profession  3

Credits  12

Second Year

Fall
SOWK 6801  Social Work Practice in Research 1  3
SOWK 6321  Generalist Practice I with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities  3
SOWK 6901  Fieldwork and Integrative Seminar 1  4

Credits  10

Spring
SOWK 6802  Social Work Practice in Research 2  3
SOWK 6322  Generalist Practice II with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities  3
SOWK 6901  Fieldwork and Integrative Seminar 1  5

Credits  11

Total Credits  33

Admissions
Potential applicants should contact the program director, Gregory Acevedo, Ph.D., at (212) 636-6644 or gracevedo@fordham.edu, as early as possible in their planning. All applications and other materials should be sent to:

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For more information
See the admissions page.

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